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TO AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM NEA/ARN DRAPER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, EAID, SY, US

SUBJECT: CODEL VISITS TO SYRIA

1.THERE IS SOME SENTIMENT ON HILL,PRIMARILY AMONG  
CERTAIN STAFFERS, TO PENALIZE SYRIA FOR ITS OPPOSITION TO  
SADAT BY CUTTING AID ANDTURNING OVER THE EXTRA SUMS  
REALIZED TO EGYPT. WE ALERTED SECRETARY TO THIS SENTI-  
MENT AND, IN HIS BRIEFING AND MEETINGS WITH HOUSE AND  
SENATE, HE HAS ATTEMPTED TO START A BACKFIRE BY POINTING  
OUT THE NEED NOT TO DO ANYTHING WHICH MIGHT JEOPARDIZE  
THE POSSIBILITY OF SYRIA REJECTING THE PEACE PROCESS.

2. I AM SOMEWHAT CONCERNED BY IMPRESSION RECENT CODELS MAY  
HAVE BROUGHT AWAY AFTER DISCUSSION WITH KHADDAN IN  
PARTICULAR, WHOIS INTEMPERATE AND ACID. AS YOU WILL  
RECALL, I TOOK CARE OF MOST OF STATE TESTIMONY LAST YEAR  
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ON THE HOUSE SIDE. VELIOTES WILL HANDLE THIS RESPONSIBILITY  
THIS YEAR, BUT BOTH OF US COULD USE ANY SPECIAL COMMENTS OR  
ADVICE FOR DEALING WITH MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND THEIR  
STAFFS WHO HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO THE SYRIAN TEMPER RECENTLY.  
OUR DAY TO DAY EXCHANGES WITH CONGRESS, PARTICULARLY WITH  
STAFF, HAVE EXPANDED SIGNIFICANTLY OVER THE PAST YEAR;  
THIS TREND WILL CONTINUE.

3. WE DO NOT WANT TO BURDEN YOU UNNECESARILY BUT WILL  
WELCOME ANYTHING YOU CAN OFFER. VANCE

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